

Randolph Township Trustees Regular Meeting Thursday, May 24, 2012

Chairman Roger Klodt opened the meeting with the pledge at 7:00 p.m. Roger stated that he reviewed the draft minutes and found them to be accurate. He asked if there were any corrections or additions. Mike moved to approve the minutes as written. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes. Present: Trustees Roger Klodt, Mike Lang, Sue White, FO Mary Rodenbucher, D. Kolasky, B. Murphy, G. Harrison, D. Rice, G. Klag, N. Engle, S. Engle

Old Business

Mike met with Chuck Breiding who will build the cabinet for the Historical Society which is to be displayed in the TH. The only problem is he cannot get to it until next winter. Mike feels the workmanship is worth the wait. Chuck suggested using woodwork from the old administration building. Roger noted that the lighting has been completed in the TH basement. The railing and nonskid step strips need to be completed. Roger presented ideas from the Historical Society regarding the cabinet. Chuck will check out the woodwork and get an estimate. Mike and Chuck discussed the old road grader. It is not of historical value. Chuck will go back to Fair Board to see what they want to do. Mike has specs for a new F450 truck for the road department. There was discussion that the truck needs to be replaced and various options. We are working on borrowed time as there is a 16 week lead time to get the truck ready. Roger stated that we need a loan. Mike moved to purchase the chassis. Sue seconded. Discussion: Sue asked about financing. Mike stated we will need to look into it. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes. Mike will meet with Doug to get specifics and confirm it with Larry when he is back.

Sue received a report from Jon Barber regarding injection wells, although not all companies are submitting information. She has been forwarding the email as requested. Sue has also shared information she received from Maureen Frederick regarding the 911 communication equipment for the county. Sue stated that it is important to our township. Roger had a discussion with Chief Lang and suggested that Sue speak to Chief Lang regarding the pros and cons from a working standpoint. Sue will contact him. Sue stated that local churches and groups have been contacted to attend the township picnic. Sue stated that Dan did a nice job on the newsletter. Sue reminded everyone about the Memorial Day Parade. The Record Courier had a nice article on Memorial Day. The real meaning is to have a thankful day not a happy day.

Roger reminded everyone about the pancake breakfast on Monday from 7 - 12 at the fire station. Darrin Werback called him about repairing the bleachers at Moyer Field. The Cub Scouts have wood that is not properly planed. Darrin asked if we can supply the wood. The Hot Stove or Cub Scouts would do the labor. The estimate is \$400 from Carter. Roger feels we should support Hot Stove. Roger moved to purchase the wood to repair the bleachers. Mike seconded. Discussion: Sue stated that they received some donations. Newt stated that the Rubber Bowl had some bench covers. Newt will call tomorrow. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

New Business

Mike received a phone call from Attorney James Kandel regarding the estate of Mildred Lerch from Stark County. Mike stated that money was left to several entities including the RFD and Randolph Cemetery Association. The verbiage of the will states that the money is to be used for the upkeep of the cemeteries. The LCA felt it should go to their account. Since the trustees are the caretakers of the cemetery for maintenance, upkeep, and beautification. Attorney Kandel stated that the will did not state Ladies Cemetery Association so it will go to the township. Grace sent a letter to the probate court which has stalled the disbursement of the funds. Mike explained if it goes to probate court, legal costs will be incurred and does not understand why it needs to be held up. He feels the money should come to the township as we always give to the LCA as long as funds are available. We are an auditable entity. He feels it is not right to hold up the money for the other groups involved. Sue stated that the Methodist Church has many good ideas for the money to help the community. Sue feels that the money should go to the LCA. Sue offered two ideas: Turn it over to the LCA or put in a separate fund to disperse as requested by the LCA. Mike would be agreeable to have township pay for LCA expenses. George asked for clarification. Mike explained again the conversation he had with the attorney. George agrees with Mike. Mike will talk to Grace and explain what will happen to holding up the money everyone. George stated that she could file an amendment asking that only the money in question be held. Mike would like an opinion from the Prosecutor's Office. Sue stated that Atwater was also getting the same amount of money, although they do not have an LCA. Sue stated that we are on the same team. Mike is waiting to hear from Chris Meduri.

Mike feels the worst case scenario is that they will have to come to us for improvements. Mike does not feel it is fair to tie up the money for the other people. Mike understands that the only way for the money to be dispersed is for the Grace to file an amendment. Gary agrees with Sue. He feels that Grace is acting on behalf of the LCA. Mike stated that in legal words they must follow the verbiage of the will. If it goes to probate it will be determined by a judge maybe a year from now. Gary suggested that someone contact Grace and let her know. Mike stated that as far as he knows the township has never denied any request from the LCA. The LCA needs to consider the others getting money. George reiterated the fact that Grace needs to file an amendment to her letter. Sue does not want to have the money held up. Roger stated that we will follow whatever Chris Meduri recommends. Mike will contact Grace.

Sue asked Dan to contact the County Engineer requesting a study for a speed reduction on Fairground Road. Roger explained the process of reducing the speed limit.

Roger reported that the old Detroit generator sold for \$1,825.00 on eBay. The original price was \$1,975 in 1982.

Mary presented the quarterly report from the Portage County Health Department. Mary stated that we received a letter from the Ohio L regarding the transfer of the liquor license from Travis Wise dba Feed Mill Restaurant to TGW Enterprises dba Feed Mill Restaurant. Mary asked if we want a hearing. Roger moved to have a hearing in Ravenna. Mike seconded. Discussion: Mike sees no reason for a hearing. The only problem has been with the two owners. It is a model for other businesses to follow. He feels it may bring out negative people and have an empty building. Sue stated that Mr. Hluch, the owner of the property, stated that the business is being in the process of eviction. RCV: Mike – no; Sue – yes; Roger - yes.

Mary placed the April bank reconciliation in the trustee's mailboxes. She asked if there were any questions. Roger moved to accept the April bank reconciliation. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary stated that we need set a date for a hearing on the proposed 2013 budget. Mary suggested June 28 to get a better idea of where we are half way this year. Mike moved to hold the 2013 budget hearing on Thursday, June 28, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. with the regular meeting to immediately follow. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary requested a motion appropriate receipts 82 – 89 totaling \$71,479.87 and pay warrants 33383 - 33420, EFTs 1177 - 1185, and voucher 39 totaling \$36,309.25. Sue so moved. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Dan presented the Zoning and Trustee Assistant report. One permit was issued. He is continuing the collection of information to prosecute the towing business on Shaffer Road. The next ZC meeting will be June 25 at 7 p.m. in the SC.

Mike presented the road department report in Larry's absence. The crack sealing has been completed on the roads to be chipped and sealed. The road department has been working on the RFD radio building. Larry placed the final order of salt to fulfill our salt contract. Larry provided an update on road maintenance and mowing.

Public Comment

George reported that the ZBA approved the two storage buildings at the old Feed Mill site.

Bob thanked the Road Crew for going the extra mile for mowing the corner at New Milford and Fairground .

Gary reported on information from the Atwater Life Pointe Church which will distribute food for the needy from the Akron Food Bank on first Saturday of every month. They will not start a food shelf but have it open to the needy in the county. There were some changes from his original discussion with them. Gary will find out the times.

Sandy urged to contact legislators on the gag order on gas/oil well drilling. She is concerned about our environment.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF RANDOLPH TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES & FISCAL OFFICER page 546

Rick stated that the signs were up at the ball fields and no one was parking on the grass. Rick asked about the weight limit reduction. He is concerned about two trucks on Randolph Road. He asked if it is grandfathered. Mike stated that it is hard to enforce it since one would need a scale.

Mike spoke about the increase of sales tax in the county. There is one new vendor's license in Randolph.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Roger Moch
Mary A. Rodenbuscher